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MEMORANDUM

To: Home-Delivered Meals Providers

From: Marlana R. Hutchinson, Director msh

Office of Long Term Services and Supports

Subject: Inappropriate Billing for Home-Delivered Meals

Date: December 30, 2020

Note: Please ensure the appropriate staff members in your organization are

informed of the contents of this memorandum.

The Department has recently learned that home-delivered meals are being billed in excess of what is outlined in the approved participant plan of service. Providers have a responsibility to abide by and follow the Medicaid provider agreement, State and federal regulations, and laws. The approved plan of service authorizes providers to render and be reimbursed for services in accordance with the outlined quantities and frequencies of services.

Per COMAR 10.09.84 and 10.09.36, as well as the Maryland Medicaid Provider Agreement, only services which have been preauthorized by the Department in the participant's plan of service should be provided and billed. It is the provider's responsibility to ensure that requests for reimbursements are appropriate and accurate.

Please be advised that providers continuing to inappropriately bill for unauthorized services are subject to disciplinary actions including but not limited to sanctions, recovery, suspension, or termination per 10.09.84, 10.09.36, and the Maryland Medicaid Provider Agreement.